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## Special Announcement

**Call for Volunteer Nonprofit Coaches.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* is recruiting leaders from the nonprofit, business, foundation and government sectors to volunteer as coaches for nonprofit leaders participating in its 2005 Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) class. Each participating nonprofit executive is matched with a coach, who provides mentoring and strategic assistance in areas of interest such as management, fundraising, board development, and policy development. This is a great opportunity for interested individuals to share their expertise. For more information, contact Pat Henry at (202) 727-8900 or [pat.henry@dc.gov](mailto:pat.henry@dc.gov); or go to: <http://opgd.dc.gov>.

**Free Service for Nonprofits.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

## Federal Opportunities

**Academic Partners Public Health Training Grant.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to (a) provide trainees the opportunity to learn about broad, cross-cutting public health policy and program development at the

Federal, state, and local government level; and (b) make progress toward achieving the prevention objectives of Healthy People 2010. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education, individuals, for-profit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOIs) is March 2, 2005. The deadline for applications is March 17, 2005. Approximately \$4 million is available to fund 3 awards. For further information, contact the Technical Information Management Section at (770) 488-2700 or [pgotim@cdc.gov](mailto:pgotim@cdc.gov); or go to: <http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/grantmain.htm>.

**Environmental Justice Small Grants Program.** *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds to support and empower community-based organizations that are working on local solutions to local environmental and/or public health problems. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is April 4, 2005. Approximately \$750,000 is available to make awards, ranging from \$25,000-\$75,000. For further information, contact Linda Smith at (202) 564-2602 or [smith.linda@epa.gov](mailto:smith.linda@epa.gov); or go to: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/ej/grants/small-grants-guidance-2005.pdf>.

**FY 2005 OVC Public Awareness in Underserved Communities.** *The Department of Justice (DOJ)* announces funds to support the planning and development of victimization-focused public awareness campaigns designed to reach populations in the local community who are typically underserved due to recent immigrant status or limited English

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proficiency. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, and public housing authorities. The deadline for applications is April 5, 2005. Approximately 10 awards are available. For further information, contact the GMS Helpdesk at (888) 549-9901 or [helpdesk@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:helpdesk@ojp.usdoj.gov); or go to: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/dakit.htm>.

**Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP).** *The Department of Education (DOED)* supports early college preparation and awareness activities for low-income students. Eligible applicants include partnerships consisting of (A) one or more local educational agencies (LEA) acting on behalf of (i) one or more elementary schools or secondary schools, and (ii) the secondary schools that students from the schools described in (i) would normally attend; (B) one or more degree granting institutions of higher education; and (C) at least two community organizations or entities, such as businesses, professional associations, community-based organizations, philanthropic organizations, state agencies, institutions or agencies sponsoring programs authorized under subpart 4 of Part A of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, or other public or private agencies or organizations. The deadline for applications is April 11, 2005. Approximately \$187.5 million is available to fund 300 awards of up to \$7 million each. For further information, contact Tonja Lark at (202) 245-6160 or [tonja.lark@ed.gov](mailto:tonja.lark@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-3455.pdf>.

**School Leadership Program.** *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to assist high-need local education agencies (LEAs) in the development, enhancement, or expansion of innovative programs to recruit, train, and mentor principals (including assistant principals) to serve in high-need schools through activities such as: providing financial incentives to aspiring new principals; providing stipends to principals who mentor new principals; carrying out professional development programs in instructional leadership and management; and providing incentives that are

appropriate for teachers or individuals from other fields who want to become principals and that are effective in retaining new principals. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2005. Approximately \$12 million is available to fund 24 awards. For further information, contact Tonja Lark at (202) 245-6160 or [tonja.lark@ed.gov](mailto:tonja.lark@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/E5-694.pdf>.

## District Opportunities

**FY 2005 Ryan White Title I Regional Grant (District of Columbia, Suburban Virginia & Suburban Maryland).** *The Department of Health (DOH)*, in conjunction with the Prince George's County Health Department, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and the Washington Metropolitan Regional Health Services Planning Council, is soliciting applications from qualified applicants to provide support services to indigent, uninsured and under-insured persons who are HIV-infected. Services under the FY 2005 Ryan White Title I Regional Grant programs include PWA Advocacy. The services requested will target the needs of homeless persons, gay, bisexual and transgender persons, women, children, adolescents/young adults, incarcerated, substance abusers, Latino/a and African Americans. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and for-profit health and support service providers, including universities, community-based organizations and government-operated health facilities, which are located within and provide service in the jurisdictions of the Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) – see RFA for full details. The deadline for applications is March 28, 2005. Approximately \$225,000 is available. For further information, contact Ebony Fortune at (202) 671-4819 or [Ebony.fortune@dc.gov](mailto:Ebony.fortune@dc.gov); or go to: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application

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packets are available for the following notices at:  
<http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ)/Office of Homeland Security (OHS), National Capital Region Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant Program, March 1, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.*

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH), Small Projects Program (SPP), March 3 and June 2, 2005.*

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH), DC Main Street Arts Initiative, March 3, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.*

*Serve DC, in partnership with the Freddie Mac Foundation, National Youth Service Day, March 4, 2005.*

*The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA), FY 2005 Mathematics and Science Partnerships Grant Program, March 10, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.*

*The State Education Office (SEO), FY 2005 Teacher Quality Improvement Grant Program, March 17, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.*

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, March 25, June 24, September 23, and December 22, 2005.*

*The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities (CAH), Folk & Traditional Arts Mini Grants, April 7, 2005.*

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.*

## Foundation Opportunities

**Children's Initiative.** *The Weyerhaeuser Family Foundation* provides funding for innovative, local programs that strengthen the social, physical, intellectual, and emotional functioning of young children in significant and measurable ways. The Initiative will consider programs that serve children from the pre-natal stage to six years of age; deliver

services to children in non-office or non-traditional settings; and involve parents or guardians in the planning, delivery or evaluation of the program. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is April 1, 2005. For further information, contact DeDe Connors at (651) 228-0935; or go to:  
<http://www.wfamilyfoundation.org/>.

### Computer Labs for After-School Programs.

*GTECH's After School Advantage Program* provides state-of-the-art computer labs to organizations in inner-city communities. GTECH supports after-school programs targeting disadvantaged youth and at-risk children aged 5-15. Eligible applicants include nonprofits with existing after-school programs in need of a computer lab. Program must be in jurisdictions in which GTECH does business, which includes Washington, DC. There are no deadlines for applications. Awards include up to \$15,000 worth of computers, on-line technology, computer software, and volunteer hours. For further information, contact Elena Lupinacci at [elena.lupinacci@gtech.com](mailto:elena.lupinacci@gtech.com); or go to:  
[http://www.gtech.com/about\\_gtech/after\\_school.asp](http://www.gtech.com/about_gtech/after_school.asp).

**Community Assistance Grants.** *The Commonwealth Foundation* supports educational programs and projects assisting disadvantaged youth. The Foundation focuses on secondary and, to a lesser extent, elementary education. The Foundation also considers grants for educational research and, to a limited extent, health care. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that share the Foundation's mission, are located in Washington, DC, Maryland or Northern Virginia, and have an annual budget not exceeding \$1 million. The deadline for applications is August 1, 2005. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. For further information, contact Gloria Dairsow at (240) 450-0000 or [gdairsow@cweal.org](mailto:gdairsow@cweal.org); or go to:  
<http://www.cweal.org/cag.htm>.

### Investor Education for the Nation's Young Adults.

*The NASD Investor Education Foundation* invites eligible organizations to submit grant proposals for research projects and/or educational programs that empower young adults who are about to enter the workforce to better prepare for initial investment decisions and for investing goals, including retirement. Eligible applicants include public and

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state controlled institutions of higher education, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is April 13, 2005. For further information, go to:

<http://www.nasdfoundation.org/grants.asp>.

## Resources & Announcements

**African-American Philanthropy.** *The Foundation Center - Washington, DC* has a number of books and articles concerning African-American philanthropy. Some of the titles include: *Cultures of Caring: Philanthropy in Diverse American Communities*; *African American Philanthropy: A Legacy of Giving*; *Topics in Black American Philanthropy Since 1785*; and *Philanthropy in Communities of Color: Traditions and Challenges*. For additional resources on this topic, search the Foundation Center's online catalog, Literature of the Nonprofit Sector, at <http://lnps.fdncenter.org/>. Begin searches using the subject heading "Black philanthropy." Select Washington, DC in the "Library location" field.

**Bilingual Job Fair.** *The Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OAPIA)* will host a Bilingual Job Fair that will highlight bilingual jobs and those available to Limited English Proficient job seekers. If your agency is interested in reaching out to the Asian and Pacific Islander community or if you are in need of Bilingual Staff, this is an excellent opportunity for you to meet potential candidates. There will be a limited number of Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese translators on site to assist you in communicating with potential job seekers. The Bilingual Job Fair will take place on April 25, 2005, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street NW, Washington, DC. For further information, contact Soohyun Koo at (202) 727-3120 or [soohyun.koo@dc.gov](mailto:soohyun.koo@dc.gov).

**DC Neighborhood Information.** *The Urban Institute and The Washington DC Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)* announce NeighborhoodInfo DC, a service that provides current and reliable neighborhood level data and analysis to assist community organizations, nonprofits, government agencies, philanthropy and residents in the nation's capital. Key services of NeighborhoodInfo DC include: providing online Neighborhood Profiles - demographic, social and economic characteristics for all ANCs, Wards,

Neighborhood Clusters, Police Service Areas and Census Tracts in DC; publishing reports and briefs that analyze neighborhood level data about DC and illustrate useful applications of that data for social change; engaging in community outreach and technical support to build the capacity of community-based organizations to use data as they make their case for change and new initiatives; and working with partners around the city to help them make use of NeighborhoodInfo DC for planning, fundraising and evaluation. Data sharing partners include city government offices, such as: the Office of Planning, the Metropolitan Police Department, the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, the DC Department of Human Services/Office of Income Maintenance. For further information, go to:

[www.NeighborhoodInfoDC.org](http://www.NeighborhoodInfoDC.org).

**List-Serve for Exempt Organizations.** *The Internal Revenue Service (IRS)* offers a new service to tax-exempt organizations – the EO Update Listserv. The listserv provides e-mail updates from the IRS about issues of tax policy, services and available information that impact tax-exempt organizations, such as: IRS news releases related to exempt organizations; new forms, guidance and other publications; changes and additions to the IRS Charities and Nonprofits site; and upcoming IRS training and outreach events. To subscribe, go to: <http://www.irs.gov/charities/page/0,,id=130596,00.html>. A confirmation message will be sent via e-mail. Please note: to verify your subscription, you must respond to this email.

**Local Fundraisers Group.** *DC Fundraisers (Formerly the Public Interest Fundraisers Roundtable)* is a free service to more than 400 development professionals in the Washington, DC area. On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, DC Fundraisers holds a brown bag lunch meeting at a metro-accessible location in the DC area to discuss a fundraising topic. To be added to this list, contact Kristen Barden at [kristen@afj.org](mailto:kristen@afj.org).

**Nonprofit Innovation Award.** *Amazon.com* announces its new Nonprofit Innovation Award, which recognizes nonprofit organizations whose innovative approaches most effectively improve their communities or the world at large. Ten organizations selected as finalists will have an opportunity to raise funds and awareness for their programs on

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Amazon.com. All 10 finalists will be profiled on their own Amazon.com pages, where customers will be invited to vote for their favorites by making monetary donations. The organization that receives the largest amount of customer contributions by the deadline will receive the award, along with a matching grant of up to \$1 million from Amazon.com. Eligible applicants include U.S. nonprofit organizations that have been in operation for at least two years. The deadline for applications is April 28, 2005. For further information, contact ANIA, Amazon.com, 1200 12th Avenue South, Suite 1200, Seattle, WA 98144, [nonprofitinnovation@amazon.com](mailto:nonprofitinnovation@amazon.com); or go to: <http://www.amazon.com/nonprofitinnovation>.

**Nonprofit Promotion.** *The Catalogue for Philanthropy's* goal is to inspire and attract donors by promoting charities that beautifully represent philanthropy—through the excellence of their work, the creativity of their approach, the compelling nature of the needs they address, and their concrete accomplishments. Each year, the Catalogue selects charities to feature in its publication in order to illustrate and demonstrate excellence, and to show how philanthropy is essential to our quality of life. Ultimately, the Catalogue provides small-to-mid-sized charities with visibility and a way to reach large numbers of potential major donors region-wide. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in the Washington region (i.e., District of Columbia; Montgomery, Prince George's, and Frederick counties in Maryland; Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William counties, as well as the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church, in Virginia) in all fields of philanthropy, with operating budgets of \$2 million or below. Organizations that were featured in the 2003 or 2004 Catalogue are not eligible to reapply in 2005. The deadline for applications is March 25, 2005. For further information and to access the application, contact the Catalogue at (202) 549-6369 or [dcquestions@catalogueforphilanthropy.org](mailto:dcquestions@catalogueforphilanthropy.org); or go to: <http://www.catalogueforphilanthropy.org/dc/applynow/index.html>.

**Preparing Your 990: An Introduction to Free Software from the NCCS.** *The Foundation Center - Washington, DC* will host an InfoBreakfast session on new 990-preparation software by Linda Lampkin, Director of the National Center for Charitable

Statistics (NCCS), and Senior Research Associate, the Center on Nonprofits and Philanthropy at The Urban Institute. The session will take place on March 10, 8:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m., at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Washington, DC. There is no fee, but space is limited and advance registration is required. To register, call (202) 331-1400 or go to: <http://fdncenter.org/washington/infobrkc.html>.

**Resource Exchange.** *The DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (CYITC)* will host a Resource Exchange for literacy and afterschool programs serving the District. The Exchange will showcase both local and national organizations that offer programming, curriculum, training and other services to afterschool programs, adult and family literacy programs, their staffs, and the kids and adults they serve. Representatives from these organizations will be available to explain their educational and enrichment resources. The event will take place on March 2, 2005, 9:00 a.m.-noon, at the Charles Sumner School, 1201 17th Street, NW, 3rd floor, The Great Hall. For further information, contact Peter Guttmacher at (202) 939-1399.

**Technical Volunteers.** *CompuMentor* offers a manual for how to work with technical volunteers. Many nonprofits and schools do not have enough time, expertise, or funding to use technology in all the ways they would like. Technical volunteers can fill the gap by tackling projects that in-house staff cannot handle, and that do not require paid consultants. *Working with Technical Volunteers: A Manual for Nonprofit Organizations* is designed to help organizations and schools to do the following: assess how a technical volunteer can help; write up a job description for a technical volunteer; and best manage the project and document the work that they do. For further information, go to: <http://www.techsoup.org/howto/worksheetpage.cfm?worksheetid=111>.

**Washington Region's Nonprofit Sector.** *The Nonprofit Roundtable* released a new report – *The Business of Doing Good: How the Nonprofit Sector Contributes to the Region's Economy*. The report focuses on the actual number of nonprofits in the region and their contribution to the region's economy. The study shows that there were 7,614 active nonprofits in the Greater Washington Region in

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2000, and they spent almost \$29 billion that year. In addition, the nonprofit sector employed more than 218,000 workers in 2003, more than 11% of the region's total private employment. Research for this report was conducted by the Johns Hopkins University's Center for Civil Society Studies and The Urban Institute's Center on Nonprofits and Philanthropy. For further information, go to: <http://www.nonprofitroundtable.org/>.

**Web Hosting.** *ThinkHost*, a web hosting company, offers free web hosting to community-based organizations. Eligible applicants include progressive, U.S.- based, registered nonprofit organizations focusing on the environment, grass roots democracy, peace, social/economic justice, or human rights. For further information, go to: <http://www.thinkhost.com/options/free-hosting.shtml>.

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